

REMARKS

Applicants wish to bring to the attention of the Patent Office the references listed on the attached PTO-1449 form and request that they be considered by the Examiner. Each of the references cited on the attached was previously cited by or submitted to the PTO in prior application Serial No. 09/057,303, filed April 8, 1998, therefore no copies are enclosed. This information disclosure statement is being filed under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3), therefore, no fee is due.

A marked-up version to show changes made is attached hereto. No new matter is added by this amendment. Consideration and entry of the above amendments is respectfully requested.

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 1, please amend the first paragraph as follows:

This application is a divisional of copending patent application Serial No. 09/196,125, filed November 20, 1998, which is a continuation-in-part of patent application Serial No. 09/057,303, filed April 8, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,331,166, which claims benefit to provisional patent application Serial No. 60/076,973, filed March 3, 1998, all of which applications are hereby incorporated herein by reference in their entirety and from which priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §§119(e) and 120.

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